APRIL 12, 2021

SUPERINTENDENT'S

Warrior Report

Preparing Champions for Life



#ihswarriors Band earn "Sweepstakes!"

The #ihswarriors bands recently won a statewide honor! Sweepstakes is an award for our instrumental music program that has received superior scores in state competitions, including marching band and concert band.

The equivalent of state championship, Sweepstakes, is a huge honor. The Idabel Band has earned this award only once in 2018. This only the 2nd time in school history. The Idabel Jazz Band will be competing soon and allows the Warrior bands to earn "Super Sweepstakes" for the 2nd time in school history.





High School/ Middle School Band Concert Thursday April 15, 6:30 pm at I.H.S.



Spring Choir Concert! Thursday, April 29th 7:00 pm at I.H.S

Band Banquet 4/3 6:30 pm

Sr. Awards 4/11 @1:00 pm

FFA Banquet 4/11 6:30 pm

State Band Solo/ Ensemble Contest

State Choir Contest

Primary South Holds Annual Science Fair

Congratulations to our 2020-2021, Primary South, Science Fair winners. Garrison Butler placed first with *Grow It Don't Throw It*, Aubree Sherman placed second with *Fizzy Balloon* and Lydia Bundy placed third with *Drinking Plants*.



Primary South Elementary Spelling Bee!

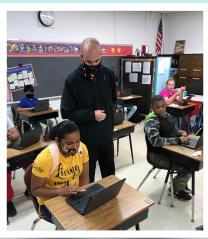


Congratulations to our 2020-2021 Primary South, Spelling Bee winners. First place winner was Anthony Johnson, Second place winner was Garrison Butler, and third place went to Janauri Johnson. All of our participants did very well and worked hard to compete. Our Spelling Bee sponsors are Nancy Williams and Trudy Procell.

JACKSON – CENTRAL ELEMENTARY'S EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Central Elementary Employee Spotlight is Jake Jackson. Jake is Central's fifth grade social studies teacher. Jake has taught elementary PE grades Pre- K through fourth junior high and high school softball and elective classes before coming to Central two years ago.

Jake had big shoes to fill when Susie Davies retired and he has done a tremendous job! His classes and lessons are a joy to observe. He is always prepared and makes learning active and fun. Having a male teacher in our fifth grade is a wonderful asset. He is always calm, cool and collected. His positive attitude has a wonderful effect on our students and colleagues. We are excited to have him at Central.



Ag Student Shines

"For the employee and student spotlight this month Mr. Austin turns to the Agriculture Department. Autumn Bolen is an 11th-grade student at Idabel High School. This year she has enjoyed tremendous success showing cattle.

Some of her accomplishments include:

Four States Fair 2020 - Reserve Breed Champion, Breed Champion, McCurtain County Free Fair 2020 - Breed Champion, Supreme Heifer, Miller Grove Jackpot - English Breed Champion, Cowgirls in Cowtown - Reserve Division Champion, Big 8 Expo - 4th Overall English Division Heifer, and McCurtain County Spring Show 2021 - Supreme Champion Female.





Mr. Chad Austin is recognizing Mr. Brandon Allen as the I.H.S. Employee of the Month. He is one of the Ag. Teachers at Idabel High School.

Throughout the year he has led, guided, and mentored Autumn Bolen and other students in showing, grooming, and maintaining cattle. Mr. Allen has done amazing work with the greenhouse, growing and selling beautiful flowers and vegetables. He has worked with the local Co-Op to supply them with plants. Furthermore, Mr. Allen and his Ag Mechanic students have made many items with the plasma cutter. For the first time, the Idabel FFA chapter entered into the Ag Mechanics Show. We received Grand Champion on the worktable made by Mr. Allen's students. "Preparing Champions for Life!"

Martin Named 2021 Teacher of the Year

Mallory Martin was named the Idabel Public Schools Teacher of the Year for 2021. The Idabel Education Association committee had to select from several very good candidates. Ms. Martin is the daughter of a veteran Idabel teacher, Mrs. Regina Martin and has followed her mother's example in becoming a very good educator.

Ms. Martin stated in her application "If we are not continuing to better our craft (teaching) we are failing our students." She is a perfect example of a life long learner and strives to instill a love for learning in her students. She is Preparing Champions for Life!



Falling named the IEA Friend of Education

Recently the Idabel Education Association named Mr. Jerry Falling as the 2021 IEA Friend of Education. Mr. Falling is a regular on our school campuses and you will hear him at football and basketball games as the "voice of the Warriors." He has announced both football and basketball games for the Warriors for several years now. The fans, the athletes recognize Mr. Falling's voice at the first word. He also serves as a surrogate parent for our special needs students that are considered homeless. He is a always just a call away for every principal, teacher or student and is willing to volunteer at a moments notice. We thank Jerry for everything he does to help us Prepare Champions for Life!

SAIN Awarded IEA Scholarship



Idabel High School Senior Kolten Sain was recognized with the IEA Scholarship. Pictured with IEA Vice President Doris King



After the Bell Club (ABC) director Chris Gammon would like to nominate Karen Pond to be the Employee of the month for the After school Program. Karen has worked for the after school program for many years and continues to engage our students and give them that drive to do more and learn more. She motivates students through engaging hands on activities and occasionally offers bilingual education through her ability to speak fluent Spanish. The picture below Mrs. Karen Pond had our student designing, making, and testing paper airplanes as a STEM project.

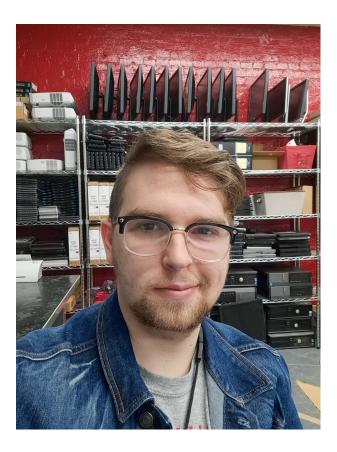


Roberts Evenstart Superstar Employee

Ernestine Roberts has worked for Even Start for 15 years and works with children with special needs. Each child in her class has individual social, emotional and educational needs that must be met each day. Miss Earnie meets the children's needs through differentiated instruction and lots of patience and love. Every little success is celebrated. It is amazing to see the dramatic growth of her students as we approach the end of each school year.

She has a great rapport with her students' parents. She keeps them involved in their child's educational program and shares the daily accomplishments their child achieves.

Additionally, Miss Ernie always volunteers to help with extra projects and very importantly, she is also one of our three bus drivers.





Connor Daniel "Tech Guru"

Connor Daniel works for the Idabel Public Schools as a computer technician through the VISTA Program. He repairs and maintains computers across the school district. Sof of these repairs occur on-site, where he might come to the class or office where the devise is located and correct issues based on what the user reports. Other repairs, such as Chromebook repairs, occur in the technology department workshop where he often will GO WARRIORS! Through a process of testing each component and replacing or repairing the ones which have failed. He has made nearly 200 Chromebook repairs over the past year. Often he has helped to fix errors in the district's network infrastructure. Other things he may do on a regular basis include installing new technology in the classrooms and offices, record keeping and instruction others nohow to use programs, correct simple issues, and generally striving to increase computer literacy in others.